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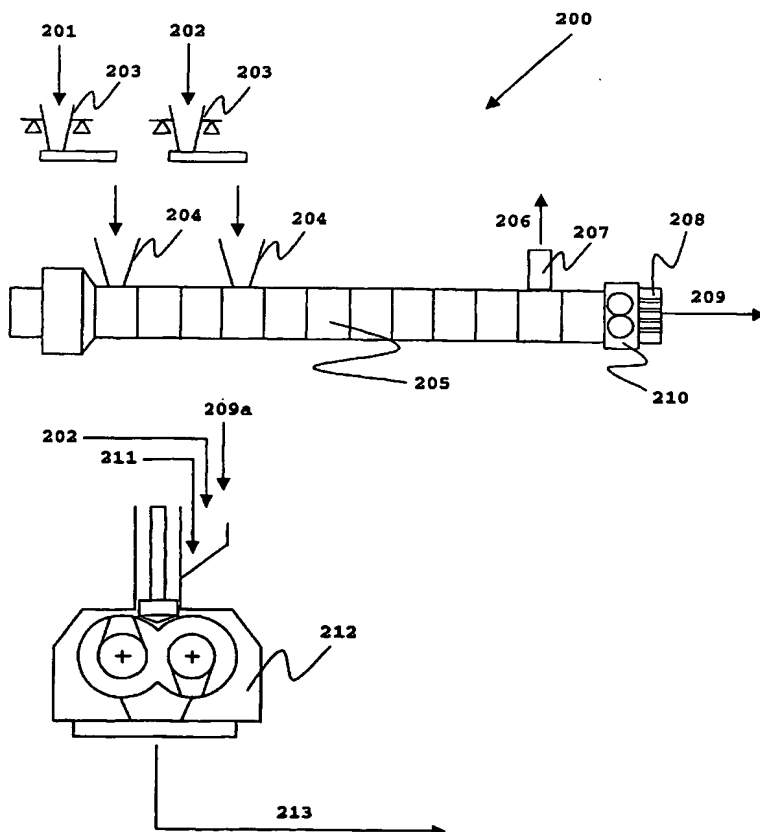
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(54) Title: METHOD FOR PREPARING A CROSSLINKABLE ELASTOMERIC COMPOSITION



(57) Abstract: Method for producing a crosslinkable elastomeric composition comprising: a) at least one thermoplastic polymer selected from amorphous polymers having a glass transition temperature ( $T_g$ ) higher than 80 °C or crystalline polymers having a melting temperature ( $T_m$ ) higher than 190 °C; b) at least one diene elastomeric polymer; said method comprising the following steps: pre-mixing said at least thermoplastic polymer (a) with a portion of said diene elastomeric polymer (b) to obtain a masterbatch; said pre-mixing step being carried out at a temperature not lower than  $T_g$  or not lower than ( $T_m - 20$  °C); mixing the masterbatch obtained in said pre-mixing step (1) to the remaining portion of said diene elastomeric polymer (b).



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